

# @ Robey Memorial Library



September 2025

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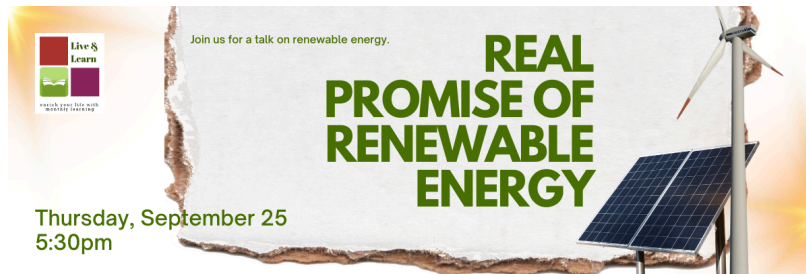
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## Live & Learn: Real Promise of Renewable Energy

As part of Live & Learn: enriching lives through monthly learning series, RML is offering The Real Promise of Renewable Energy on Thursday, September 25 at 5:30 pm in the lower level Community Room. This presentation will explore what renewable energy is, what it isn't, and realizing the full promise of the technology.

Renewable energy provides a cleaner path forward and reduces dependence on non-renewable resources, offering hope for a more sustainable tomorrow. This program will examine both the obstacles and the opportunities as we look toward a greener future.

Presented by Jim Downing--a local resident who has worked in renewable energy for more than 11 years. Jim has directly managed the installation of more than 1200 turbines contributing more than 3 GW of wind energy installation to the US grid. His experience includes work with OEM's, IPP's, and EPC aspects of renewable energy installation. He is passionate about the real promise of renewable energy and actively advocates for better understanding of what that is, as well as advocating for veteran's issues within the renewable energy community.

## LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

### Kids Summer Programs

Infants through 6th Grade

**40 Infant-6<sup>th</sup> Graders Participated!**

Activities Completed	Minutes Read
39 Infants-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	11,280
13 3rd-6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	8,850

**Top Readers**  
Infant-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
1. Noah Hollar  
2. Catherine Rich & Michael Rich

**Top Readers**  
3rd-6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
1. Karissa Hollar  
2. Jocelyn Berges  
3. Knightley Rich & Natalie Rich

### Teen Summer Programs

7th through 12th grades

**8 Middle & High School Students Participated**

**7,500 Minutes Read**

**Top Reader**  
Emma Berges

### 2025 ADULT READING CHALLENGE

**28 Adults have participated in the 2025 Adult Reading Challenge through July!**

**July Drawing Winners**  
Shannon Larkin  
Mary Martin

2025 Adult Reading Challenge continues through December 31st!

## Snuggle Story Time

Snuggle Story Time is a cozy evening event for young children and their families at 5:30 pm monthly on the first Thursday.

Enjoy enchanting stories in the library's cozy reading corner, designed to nurture a love of reading and family connection. Open to all community families with no registration required—perfect for busy parents and caregivers. Come create cherished reading moments together!



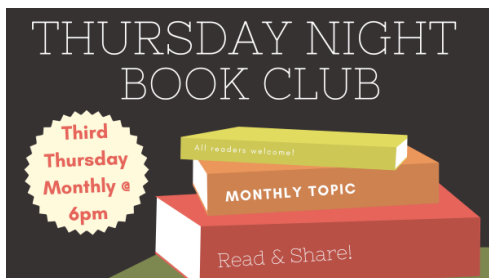
## AFTERNOON WITH



## Afternoon with the Driftless

A naturalist representing the Allamakee County Conservation Board odyssey presents Afternoon with the Driftless on the fourth Tuesday of the month (August-April) at 3:30pm.

Join us for a story and talks about animals, nature, and conservation topics. Lots of hands on activities! Past topics have included: apples, beavers, nature sculptures, storms, iditarod, and much more.



## Book Club

Interested in discussing the books you read with other readers? Meeting new people? Are you looking for a new author or genre to read but not quite ready to jump all in? Are you at a loss for what to read next? Join us for Thursday Night Book Club the third Thursday monthly at 6pm.

All are welcome! Book Club meets in person; if you would like to join virtually, please contact RML for participation information.

<b>Sep 18</b>	<b>Autobiography, Biography or Memoir</b>
<b>Oct 16</b>	<b>Ancestor themed</b>
<b>Nov 20</b>	<b>First in a series</b>



## Grab & Go

RML offers Grab & Go activities monthly to kids and teens.

Monthly on the second Wednesday, RML offers Grab & Go activity bags on a first-come, first-serve basis. Bags include instructions and supplies for at-home activities; are new monthly; and include age appropriate activities for kids and teens.



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# Homeschool Show & Tell

RML is excited to resume our Homeschool Show & Tell program, an engaging and educational initiative designed to nurture creativity, develop public speaking skills, and inspire a love for learning among homeschool students.

The Homeschool Show & Tell program is a dynamic and interactive series of sessions specially crafted for homeschool students of all ages. The program aims to provide a platform for young learners to:

1. Explore Fascinating Topics: Participants will have the opportunity to speak on a topic they are passionate about and present it to their peers.
2. Develop Public Speaking Skills: Public speaking is a vital skill in today's world. Through regular presentations, students will gain confidence and competence in articulating their ideas effectively.
3. Encourage Critical Thinking: Engaging in thoughtful discussions and answering questions from their peers fosters critical thinking and communication skills.
4. Build Lifelong Learning Habits: The program fosters a love for learning, promoting the idea that education doesn't end with formal schooling.



The Homeschool Show & Tell program is open to students of all ages. Sessions will be held monthly on the first Tuesday at 11am providing a consistent platform for students to share and learn. The first Homeschool Show & Tell session is Tuesday, September 2 sharing something you love to learn about. Topics through the year are as follows:

- September 2-Something you did over the summer
- October 7-Favorite holiday
- November 4-Item beginning with "C"
- December 2-Favorite food

- January 6-Favorite movie
- February 3-Item in your favorite color
- March 3-Historical artifact
- April 7-Favorite book
- May 5-Favorite event you have attended

Guidelines for show & tell items: you must be able to carry your show & tell item yourself; the item must be appropriate for all ages; and it can be nothing too expensive or irreplaceable (we recommend a photo of such an item).

The Robey Memorial Library Foundation hosts its monthly book sale from 2-6pm the third Thursday, monthly.

Selection changes monthly. All proceeds benefit the Robey Memorial Library Foundation.

**FOUNDATION**  
**BOOK SALE**

*Third Thursday, monthly*  
*2-6pm*







## September Events

### **Monday, September 1**

- Library CLOSED for Labor Day

### **Tuesday, September 2**

- Story Time, 10:30am
- Stay & Play, 11am
- Homeschool Show & Tell: Something you did over the summer, 11am

### **Thursday, September 4**

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Snuggle Story Time, 5:30pm

### **Tuesday, September 9**

- Story Time with the Driftless, 10:30am
- TAB (Teen Advisory Board), 4pm
- Library Board Meeting, 4:30pm

### **Wednesday, September 10**

- Grab & Go for Kids & For Teens, first-come, first served

### **Thursday, September 11**

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm

### **Tuesday, September 16**

- Story Time, 10:30am

### **Thursday, September 18**

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Foundation Book Sale, 2-6pm
- Thursday Night Book Club: Autobiography, Biography, or Memoir, 6pm

### **Tuesday, September 23**

- Story Time, 10:30am
- Afternoon with the Driftless, 3:30pm

### **Thursday, September 25**

- Tech Tutor, 10am-12pm
- Live & Learn: The Real Promise of Renewable Energy, 5:30pm

### **Tuesday, September 30**

- Story Time, 10:30am

#### **Secret Word Search**

In this newsletter, there is a random word in a sentence. The word is totally unrelated to the subject matter. If you find the word, and mention the word to Staff while visiting RML this month & select a free book from book vault!

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